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This ARGUS o'er the people's rights,
Doth an eternal vigil keep

No soothing strains of Ma'son,
Can lull its hundred eyes to sleep"

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NO FUSION IN INDIANA.

Democrats and Populists Can't Agree and the Populists Will Go It Alone.

Indianapolis, March 26.—It became known here to-day that the Democrats and Populists have failed to reach an understanding in reference to fusion and as a result the Populists have called a State nominating convention for May 1 and will put a full ticket in the field. At a recent conference of the leaders of the Populists and Democrats the former asked for representation on the State Democratic ticket and pledged themselves not to nominate a ticket if two places were given to them. The Democrats declined to consider the proposition on the ground that there are Democratic aspirants for all of the nominations and that none of the candidates would be willing to step aside for Populists, and it was very doubtful if the convention would make such concessions.

The Populist leaders then notified the Democrats that they would not only nominate a State ticket but would also put up candidates for Congress in the several districts. The conference adjourned with the understanding there was no possibility of fusion and the Populists immediately issued the call for the State convention. Leading Democrats express the belief that the majority of the Populists will vote the Democratic ticket anyhow.

A Graceful Tribute.

Raleigh Post.

Hon. F. M. Simmons may well be proud of the handsome resolutions of his fellow citizens of Jones, his native county, and of Craven, in which the best years of his life have been passed. Without reference to any aspirations he may have, so far as The Post is concerned, but in view of the splendid services he has rendered, and faithful performance of duty in all positions assigned him, and specially in view of the momentous struggle in which all good citizens are so deeply involved, and about the result of which all are so deeply concerned, in which struggle Chairman Simmons has been again commissioned to lead, and, too, in view of the vicious and mendacious assaults made by the enemies of the State and of society in general upon him because of his fidelity to his State and people and race, it was meet and proper that his home counties—the home people among whom he was born and reared to manhood, and the home people among whom he has spent the greater part of that manhood, should give expression to their feelings of confidence in, and cordial esteem for him. Under the circumstances, those counties are to be congratulated, as much so as Mr. Simmons, and he is to be congratulated because he is worthy of such confidence and good will from his people.

Mrs. Jack Gardiner has thrown her Boston residence open to visitors who may like to see her art treasures at \$2 admission in the morning and \$3 in the afternoon, the proceeds to go to the Industrial School for Crippled and Deformed Children. Tickets are going like hot cakes and there seems to be a question as to whether it is art, charity or curiosity that is the most powerful factor in selling them.

DON'T WASTE A SHOT.

It Was a Party From Johannesburg Who Trapped the British Officers.

Bloemfontein, March 26.—While Lieut. Col. A. E. Codrington of the First Battalion of the Coleridge Guards, Lieut. Col. E. M. S. Grabbe of the Third Battalion of the Grenadier Guards, Capt. Lygon, Regimental Adjutant of the Grenadiers, Lieut. G. F. Trotter of the Grenadiers, an orderly and a guide from Grahamstown were riding north six miles beyond the Guards' lines in the direction of a farm in Bishop's Glen on Friday they saw four Boers near a kopje. They rode toward the hill and when they were three hundred yards from it they encountered a sharp fire from the kopje. Capt. Lygon was hit in the heart and killed. Lieut. Col. Codrington was hit below the thigh and Lieut. Col. Grabbe in the wrist. Lieut. Trotter was wounded in the arm. The orderly and guide were also hit.

The Boers, it was subsequently learned, were from Johannesburg. They took the wounded British to a farmhouse, where they dressed their wounds and otherwise attended to them, after which they left them. Capt. Lygon was buried in the afternoon.

Gen. French's division has been to Thaba N'Chu.

Heavy rains are falling here.

Kentucky Under Two Flags.

Kentucky is verging on a condition of open warfare. The alleged confession of Golden has probably rendered a peaceful solution of the gubernatorial contention impossible. It fastens the act of Goebel's murder upon two negroes, who, on the authority of John Powers, a brother of Taylor's Secretary of State, were hired by "some of the best men in the State," to kill the man declared to be Governor.

Brigadier General Castleman, at the head of the State militia, declares that he will maintain order and seat Beckham under the decree of the courts. He was a strong anti-Goebel Democrat before the murder, but he parted company with his Republican allies when that outrage was committed. The Republicans of the State do not trust Castleman and are organizing a militia of their own. They have the money and they thought they had the Judges, but, disappointed in this latter hope, they now intend to maintain Taylor's authority by force. When these two bodies of men meet a bloody conflict is certain to occur. The troops that win "will maintain the honor and dignity of old Kentucky," where might or a hair trigger interprets the law.

Vermont has a law prohibiting the sale of liquor in any town unless the citizens thereof vote for such sale and then it must be dispensed by a town agency and only for medicinal purposes or use in the arts. Northfield, a town of 3,000 population, has had an agency and its receipts from sales have lately been so large that the temperance people have succeeded in having passed a law requiring the publication of purchasers' names once each month. The first publication was made last week with surprising results, some of the healthiest and least artistic people being the largest patrons. Freight and express companies are now doing a rushing business in shipping in plain, unmarked packages from points outside of the State.

DIVIDED TEXAS POPULISTS

One Side is for Bryan Fusion and the Other for Debs Fusion.

Dallas, Texas, March 26.—After a full day's conference between the fusion and anti-fusion Populist factions at Waco yesterday, the State Executive Committee last night called a State convention to be held at Fort Worth on May 4 to select National Convention delegates and to decide at which convention Texas shall be represented, the one to assemble at Sioux Falls, S. D., or the one to be assembled in Cincinnati. Another State convention was called to meet in Waco, on July 24 to nominate a State ticket. It developed during the proceedings yesterday and last night, which at times were characterized by bitter personalities, that neither faction has the right to assert that it is anti-fusion. The Bryan faction, led by State Chairman Bradley and Harry Tracy, is openly in favor of fusion with the Democracy in support of Bryan for President, while the Middle-of-the-Roaders, headed by Milton Park, want only the slightest pretext or encouragement to unite with the Socialists in support of Debs and Harriman.

Southern Railway New York Office

Since the reorganization and consolidation of the various railways of the South into one great corporation—the Southern Railway Company—under the admirable conducted management of the banking house of J. P. Morgan & Co., and the consequent presidency of Mr. Samuel Spencer, this trunk system has taken its place as one of the greatest of this country. The remarkable industrial and material development of the South, together with the developed comforts of a Winter sojourn there, have given to it an enormous passenger traffic, which year by year increases. To meet the demands and to further the convenience of the public, the company has recently established an up-town office at No. 1185 Broadway, where the General Eastern Passenger Agent, Mr. A. S. Thwait, is located. The office has been handsomely and luxuriously fitted up with every accommodation for the patrons of the road in the transaction of business, purchase of tickets, securing of berths, etc.

These tickets may be procured to Cuba, Mexico, California, or any other point in the great South and West. To an old-timer of thirty years ago, recalling the discomforts of a trip through the Southern States, the up-to-date luxury of travel over the Southern Railway and its connections is a gratifying surprise.—Town Topics, March 15, 1900.

Trust Those Who Have Tried.

I suffered from catarrh of the worst kind and never hoped for cure, but Ely's Cream Balm seems to do even that.—Oscar Ostrom, 45 Warren Ave., Chicago, Ill.

I suffered from catarrh; it got so bad I could not work; I used Ely's Cream Balm and am entirely well.—A. C. Clarke, 341 Shawmut Ave., Boston, Mass.

The Balm does not irritate or cause sneezing. Sold by druggists at 50 cts, or mailed by Ely Brothers, 56 Warren St., New York

A NATURAL PHILOSOPHER.

Calvin Brock, the Colored Sage of Brogden Township. Writes Another Characteristic Letter to the Argus.

Mt. Olive, N. C., March 27, 1900.

EDITOR ARGUS—Please allow me space in your most valuable columns to make this suggestion as a solution to the Negro political question in this country:

Let every colored voter declare his independence so far as politics are concerned. Keep out of conventions, indorings and making tickets. Make an independent free use of his ballot in the future.

If this was completely and rightly done, it would complete our freedom and at the same time free the white voters so far as the question is concerned. By pursuing such a course as this we would be recognized by the world as free citizens, and not as "nigger politicians." I don't consider that I am asking the race to give up any of their manhood or freedom. I view it in this light:

Suppose I was in the woods. I look up and see a great, destructive thunder storm coming. I break and run to the house. Would it be right to say that I was a coward? I say not. I would be using good sense.

The negro has got his own question to solve, and it must be done or the negro will ever be the sufferer. By taking this course, it looks to me that the question would be exploded at once.

I see nothing for the race to lose, but much to be gained. Doubtless we must make up our minds to take our chances here as free citizens, and not as politicians. I am fully satisfied that politics is the root of the greater part of the trouble between the races in the South. The Negro race cannot afford to be crushed to the earth just for the sake of a few politicians.

I think it high time for the race to stop and study some old horse common sense, find out what is best, and with all our might do it. Will not some of our wise men take this view in consideration. The way I see it, this course would put the race in better shape than ever before, even among themselves.

I will leave the rest for your consideration. I am no leader. I am just an humble farmer.

Yours for much good,
CALVIN BROCK.

BEST OF ALL

To cleanse the system in a gentle and truly beneficial manner, when the Springtime comes, use the true and perfect remedy, Syrup of Figs. Buy the genuine. Manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only, and for sale by all druggists, at 50 cents per bottle.

Subscriptions to the fund for the benefit of Mrs. Guy V. Henry, widow of General Henry, have already reached the sum of \$5,702.25. President McKinley has given \$100. Senator Hanna gave \$50. M. H. Hanna gave \$1,000.

President McKinley has telegraphed to the United States commission at Paris to do everything in its power to see that the Sabbath is respected in the American section at the exposition. The President's act will commend itself to the cordial approval of his countrymen. Proper observance of Sunday in the American section of the exposition would be an excellent object lesson for the French.

For State Treasurer.

(Elizabeth City Economist.)

There is a multitude of applicants for the place of Treasurer before the Democratic convention that meets in Raleigh on the 11th of April. We have weighed the candidates in the balance to make up an opinion by which we could abide with constancy, and our deliberate conclusion is that Mr. J. D. Boushall, a native of Camden county, and now a citizen of Wake county, would make the most available candidate for the place, and that he would bring to the responsible position an equipment of qualifications that few men in North Carolina possess. He is a young man of decided talent. His life has made him familiar with public and financial affairs, and he is a conscientious Christian, upright man. He has been before the people of Wake county and has won their votes when the die hung in the balance. He served them as their representative in the lower house of the General Assembly with eminent usefulness and ability.

In addition to all this he commends himself to us as a native of our section, identified with us in all its interests, and other things being equal, it is our duty and our interest to stand by our own.

We have known Joe Boushall from his boyhood. He was a boy of promise and was useful to the Economist as an agent and canvasser in the early days of its struggle. We are for North Carolina first and then for our own home and its sons. We believe that Mr. J. D. Boushall will command more votes in Camden, Currituck, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Gates, Chowan and the other northeastern counties than any man the convention could present, hence we advise and urge his nomination.

THE ARGUS gladly endorses every word the Economist says of Mr. Boushall, and we know of no man better equipped for or more deserving of the office of State Treasurer than he.

He is one of the State's most representative young men, intelligent, progressive, public-spirited, taking always a lively interest in the State's advancement, and never shirking any duty as a good citizen. It is to such men that the State should look for the administration of her affairs, that integrity and prosperity may prevail.

Another Black-and-Tan.

Charlotte News.

A fellow named D. M. Luther, who poses as a Democrat, is going around the State making speeches against the amendment. If Luther would sail under his true colors and frankly acknowledge that he belongs to the Black-and-Tan crowd he could not possibly do any harm. But he masquerades as a Democrat, and may create the impression that some real Democrats are fighting the amendment. This Luther belongs to the Asheville aggregation gotten together by Pearson and Pritchard. The Asheville Gazette which sold out to Pritchard lock, stock and barrel, and is one of the bitterest Republican organs in the South, still claims to be Democratic, although it threatens the Democrats of this State with the fate of Goebel; and it advocates every man and every measure that the Democrats oppose. There ought to be some way to deal with wolves who insist that they are sheep.

CHATHAM WILL BE IN LINE.

Republicans Join White Supremacy Club and Will be True To Their Race.

Siler City, March 27.—At an enthusiastic gathering of the unterrified Democracy of Western Chatham, delegates were elected to the county convention. It was unanimously decided to request Chatham's delegation at the State convention to cast their vote, and use every just and honorable means to secure the nomination of Hon. Chas. B. Aycock for Governor; Hon. John S. Cunningham for Lieutenant Governor, and Hon. Henry A. London, for State Treasurer.

A White Supremacy Club for Western Chatham was then organized with Mr. D. L. Webster as president, and Capt. W. S. Durham as secretary. A large number of members were enrolled, conspicuous among whom were some life long Republicans, who never before had attended a Democratic convention, but, who now declare they will not become renegades to their race for the benefit of the limited few, who will make any sacrifice for the sake of feeding from the public crib.

The Democracy of Chatham is thoroughly aroused, and after the 4th of August, fusion rule in this county will be only an unpleasant memory.

The Nantucket.

Charlotte Observer.

The old Nantucket, which has carried the North Carolina Naval Reserves upon several bloodless cruises, is to go to the junk yard, for that is what the order issued by the naval inspection board means. The members of the aforesaid North Carolina Naval Reserves ought to be able now, to get life insurance at lower rates. The Nantucket was hid in the march grass about Port Royal during the recent trouble with Spain, and in a letter to the Observer, Capt. Murdoch Wiley, one of her officers, wrote about the big things her 15-inch gun would do to the first Spanish galleon that should heave into sight. Capt. Wiley and his gallant crew are to be congratulated that the time for action did not come, for if it is true, as the naval board charges, the Nantucket, with her plugged vents, might have met the fate of all such big bluffs as she was. It is well that the enemy kept out of range of the Nantucket.

GENERAL NEWS

Richmond will have a Free Street Fair and Carnival from May 14 to 19, inclusive.

The Porto Ricans are not seeking charity. They are merely asking for justice and fulfillment of American pledges.

Steyn is no longer "the whole thing" in the Orange Free State. He is President of only one corner of the country.

Beverage's amendment proposing free trade with Porto Rico is regarded by Hanna as a piece of youthful impudence.

For the benefit of the Mansion House war fund, Queen Victoria is going to publish and cause to be sold a third series of extracts from her diaries. The publication will be entitled "Further Leaves of a Royal Diary."